



VOICE

News for the Campus Community — October 2010

INSIDE	
Dean's Message	2
School of Medicine's 'Super' Magnet	2
Regents' Faculty Awards.....	3
Employee of the Month	6
Founders Week Award Winners	7

BioPark Welcomes \$44 Million Forensic Medical Center



Among attendees of the Maryland Forensic Medical Center ribbon-cutting are (from right) Jay A. Perman, John Colmers, Anthony Brown, David Fowler, Agnes Welch, Elijah Cummings, Edward Kasemeyer, Alvin Collins, and Steven DeBoy.

STEVE BERBERICH

With its official opening ceremony Sept. 21, the Maryland Forensic Medical Center became the latest addition to the 10-acre University of Maryland BioPark in Baltimore. The \$44 million, state-of-forensic-science facility, operated under the Maryland Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, is one of the nation's largest stand-alone medical examiner services. Jay A. Perman, MD, University president, said that the opening marks an exciting new step in the growth of the BioPark and brings expanded forensic science to a University community that thrives on pushing the edge of discovery. David Fowler, MD, the state's chief medical examiner and a faculty member at the University of Maryland School of Medicine, said the "educational and research opportunities provided by this new building are a byproduct of the close relationship between the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner [OCME] and the University of Maryland and other area universities."

Perman said that under Fowler's leadership, the center "will greatly facilitate research and educational collaborations between the Forensic Medical Center and the University." "Already, Dr. Sanford Stass, our chair of pathology, serves as chair of the Maryland Postmortem Commission, and the majority of the center's medical examiners have faculty positions with the University. These connections are leading to advancements in medicine and forensics such as rapidly improving the ability to conduct virtual autopsies by using imaging technologies. The new Maryland Forensic Medical Center will expand and accelerate these collaborations." The OCME investigates all deaths in Maryland that

occur by violence, suicide or any other suspicious or unusual manner, and sudden deaths that are unattended by a physician or if the deceased previously was in apparent good health. Medical examiners also help detect trends in health and contagious diseases. Fowler said the Forensic Medical Center's location at the BioPark provides medical students the opportunity to "work with the most sophisticated tools in forensic science." "With the opening of the Forensic Medical Center, there will be more than 500 people working in the University of Maryland BioPark in 400,000 square feet of lab and office space with \$180 million in capital investment," said James L. Hughes, MBA, vice president of research and development and president of the University's Research Park Corp. The BioPark will mark its fifth anniversary Oct. 18. Anthony Brown, JD, Maryland's lieutenant governor, led a ribbon-cutting for the Forensic Medical Center. Also among attendees of the facility's opening ceremony were John Colmers, MPH, the state's secretary of health and mental hygiene; Alvin Collins, MEd, Maryland's secretary of general services; state legislators Steven DeBoy and Edward Kasemeyer; U.S. Representative and School of Law alumnus Elijah Cummings, JD '76; and Baltimore City Council member Agnes Welch.



The new Forensic Medical Center is expected to advance developments such as virtual autopsies using imaging technologies.

University President Fields Questions From the Campus Community

RONALD HUBE

Faculty, staff, and students—130 in all—attended the first monthly question-and-answer session by University President Jay A. Perman, MD, on Sept. 20, asking him about a variety of topics ranging from the University's future to safety to global outreach. "I think it's very important that we engage each other and that we are able to have a dialogue," Perman said at the event, which took place at the Southern Management Corporation Campus Center. The Q&A sessions will be held at various campus locations throughout the year. Asked to explain his vision for the future of the University, Perman, who became president July 1, said it includes a stronger focus on "interprofessional education" among the schools. "We need to come together, to a greater degree than we are, as a university," he said, adding that the schools "need to leverage each other." In reply to a question about a recent report on Baltimore television station WBAL's news website that the Baltimore campus of the University of Maryland is among the most dangerous college campuses in the country, Perman said the information used in the report reflects crime in nearby areas and not at the University. "This is a very good and safe community," Antonio Williams, MS, police chief and director of public safety, added at the Q&A session. "We want the truth to get out about just how safe this campus is." Perman said that "we have to play our part in re-creating" adjacent neighborhoods through community outreach work. "We can't continue to be an island," he said.

See Q&A on page 4

Presidential Inauguration and Founders Week Events

TUESDAY, NOV. 9	Inauguration of University President Jay A. Perman, MD / 10 a.m., Hippodrome Theatre Founders Week Gala Celebrating the Inauguration of Jay A. Perman, MD / 6:30 p.m., Hilton Baltimore
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 10	Research Lecturer of the Year Presentation by Bartley Griffith, MD / 4 p.m., Davidge Hall
THURSDAY, NOV. 11	Student Cookout / Noon-1:30 p.m., Nursing School Lawn and SMC Campus Center Entrepreneur of the Year Presentation by Cedric Yu, DSc / 4 p.m., BioPark Building Two
FRIDAY, NOV. 12	Staff Lunch / 11:30 a.m. and 12:20 p.m., Westminster Hall

For more information and to obtain tickets, visit <http://founders.umaryland.edu>.

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL OF LAW.....



Phoebe A. Haddon

The past year has been a time of intense self-scrutiny for the School of Law. As part of our decennial reaccreditation by the American Bar Association, we have undertaken an extensive self-study containing a critical evaluation of our strengths and weaknesses and establishing goals for our future progress. Concurrent with the self-study, I initiated a comprehensive strategic planning process for the law school, working collaboratively with the faculty, alumni, staff, and legal community to develop a vision for our future and to identify steps

we can take to achieve it. Through this hard, reflective work, four qualities emerge that make us unique and I believe will continue to shape our work:

Problem-solving. We train students to solve problems practically—by offering diverse experiential learning opportunities—and conceptually through classroom-based theoretical constructs. This conscious linking of the theoretical and the practical is a long-established, nationally known distinction of our law school. Our faculty pose and examine some of the most difficult questions in the law today through cutting-edge scholarship and classroom teaching. And our requirement that students gain practical experience grounds this thinking in the real world. Our commitment to problem-solving, moreover, acknowledges the value of interdisciplinary work and professional collaboration with our colleagues in other schools and programs across our campus in Baltimore and beyond.

Global reach. Today’s global community demands lawyers that understand the interconnections of multiple legal systems. Our faculty incorporate comparative approaches to legal questions in their scholarship and teaching, and we are expanding international course offerings. Numerous externships and foreign study programs are available to students, and we have developed an international clinic that is unmatched by other law schools. Last semester, faculty and their students worked on three continents, expanding access to clean drinking water, advancing microcredit programs that helped citizens without access to banks borrow money for their businesses, and addressing deplorable working conditions of migrant workers.

Leadership. Our groundbreaking Leadership, Ethics, and Democracy (LEAD) Initiative helps students develop cross-cultural competency, leadership skills, and reflective habits to strengthen professional values and develop their capacity for moral reasoning. Students interact with public and private leaders who share their experiences and explore what it means to lead in a range of professional contexts. Through hands-on work, students con-

front problems of marginalized citizens and noncitizens and reflect on what it means to lead without replicating the hierarchies that have disempowered many of these clients. Our students are developing the collaborative skills and strong moral core that will be essential in this changing economic environment and global reality, no matter where their career paths take them.

A public calling. We recognize the concept of law as a public calling—the notion that in addition to their responsibility to any one client, lawyers have a responsibility to foster the greater good, to ensure access to justice for all, and to strengthen the quality of justice itself. Indeed, this responsibility sometimes creates the greatest questions and conflicts that lawyers experience in their careers, when their calling reaches beyond the requirements of the Rules of Professional Conduct to the operation of their moral conscience. Teaching students to recognize these sometimes competing obligations and giving them the tools to work through conflict is a hallmark of our law school.

Now that we have identified these areas that set our law school apart, we look forward to articulating our goals and implementing the actions that will enable us to accomplish them. Dr. Perman’s arrival as president of the University has added to our excitement, as we share his deep-seated commitment to interdisciplinary work and strategic planning. I know that he will inspire even greater collaboration among the great schools that comprise our University, as we all work together to improve our world.

Best wishes,

PHOEBE A. HADDON, JD, LL.M.
DEAN AND PROFESSOR, SCHOOL OF LAW

School of Medicine Receives \$7.9 Million Federal Grant to Buy ‘Super’ Magnet

KAREN WARMKESSEL

The University of Maryland School of Medicine has received a \$7.9 million federal grant to acquire a superconducting 950 megahertz (MHz) nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) magnet that will help researchers unravel the mysteries of molecules and develop new agents to treat cancer, AIDS, and other diseases.

The grant is among the largest of its kind ever awarded by the National Center for Research Resources (NCRR), which is part of the National Institutes of Health. The funds were made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Earlier this year, the NCRR gave the School of Medicine \$12.3 million to renovate cancer laboratories and to build core research facilities.

The grant proposal for the NMR magnet

was developed as a partnership among the University of Maryland’s Baltimore, Baltimore County, and College Park campuses. Researchers from each campus and from other institutions will use the magnet, which will be housed in the School of Medicine’s NMR core facility. The University of Maryland will be the only academic institution in the United States and one of only two sites in the country to have a 950 MHz NMR spectrometer once it is installed in November 2011.

The 8-ton magnet, powerful enough to lift 50 cars, produces a supercharged magnetic field that enables scientists to investigate the three-dimensional structure of biological molecules and study their interaction with the highest degree of resolution. The instrument will operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

“NMR spectroscopy plays a critical role in many areas of cancer research, and having a 950 MHz NMR spectrometer on our campus is a phenomenal resource for researchers at our cancer center,” says Kevin Cullen, MD, professor of medicine and director of the Program in Oncology at the School of Medicine. Cullen is also director of the University of Maryland Marlene and Stewart Greenebaum Cancer Center. “It will greatly enhance and speed our efforts to uncover new information about cancer and design new drugs to treat it,” he says.

“Being able to observe molecules at the atomic level eliminates a great deal of guessing when you’re conducting complicated molecular experiments,” says David Weber, PhD, professor of biochemistry and molecular biology at the School of Medicine and direc-

tor of the NMR core facility. “We will have a much better ability to look at larger molecules and protein complexes with this powerful magnet—it’s like working in a room with the lights turned on.”



950 MHz nuclear magnetic resonance magnet made by Bruker BioSpin



Kevin Cullen

PLANNING FOR RETIREMENT?

Consider a Planned Gift

A planned gift through the University of Maryland Baltimore Foundation, Inc., can be a valuable component of your retirement planning and benefit any of the University of Maryland schools of dentistry, law, medicine, nursing, pharmacy or social work; the Health Sciences and Human Services Library; or the Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry.

A planned gift can:

- ✓ Pay lifelong income
- ✓ Shelter capital gains
- ✓ Generate an income tax deduction
- ✓ Provide a generous gift to any school at UMB



To learn more, contact
Thomas Hofstetter, JD, LL.M.,
interim assistant vice president of
development and alumni relations,
at 6-2069, or visit
www.umaryland.edu/plannedgiving.

Nurses’ Working Conditions Compared in Magnet, Nonmagnet Hospitals

STEVE BERBERICH

Magnet hospitals, while widely recognized for better patient safety and outcomes, don’t provide better working conditions for nurses than nonmagnet hospitals, according to a new study by the School of Nursing.

The American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Magnet Recognition recognizes about 350 health care organizations in the United States and four internationally. Hospitals with this distinction are considered “exemplar institutions of care,” say study leaders Alison Trinkoff, ScD, RN, FAAN, professor at the School of Nursing, and Meg Johantgen, PhD, MS, RN, associate professor at the School.

“We’ve noticed that the magnet hospital emphasis has little to do with nurse working conditions ... such as hours and job demands,” says Trinkoff. “While the work and role of nursing may be improved because it is a magnet hospital, we found that consideration of nurses’ work schedules is not really incorporated into the magnet

hospitals. But it is something that would fit in quite nicely—to create an optimal condition for nursing.” The study was published in the July/August issue of the *Journal of Nursing Administration*.

Magnet accreditation, says Johantgen, has evolved from its original intention to retain nurses and help prevent shortages in the profession, to “an avenue to promote a hospital’s appeal to both consumers and the nursing work force.”

She says other studies have identified attributes of magnet hospitals that do attract nurses, such as high autonomy, decentralized organizational structure, supportive management, and self-governance. “Magnet status is one way to show that nurses in that hospital are doing well and providing excellent care, but it is difficult to document,” says Johantgen.

Gathering data from nurses in two U.S. states, Trinkoff and Johantgen compared magnet hospitals and nonmagnet hospitals on many topics related to working conditions. They say such studies are important



Alison Trinkoff

to provide evidence-based information so that the appeal of nursing positions can be broadened and nurse well-being and performance can be improved.

In the study, nurses were asked to report the hours they worked as opposed to those they were scheduled to work. The researchers also measured psychological demands, physical demands, the practice environment, and overall job satisfaction.

Blom, Greif Win Regents’ Faculty Awards

MIKE LURIE

Brenda Bratton Blom, JD, PhD, MPS, professor at the School of Law, and Geoffrey Greif, DSW, MSW, professor at the School of Social Work, are among the 16 recipients of the 2010 University System of Maryland



Brenda Bratton Blom

(USM) Regents’ Faculty Awards.

The awards—the highest honors presented to faculty by the USM Board of Regents—recognize excellence in teaching; scholarship, research or creative activities; public service; mentoring; and collaboration. Each award carries a \$1,000 prize.

Blom, who won a Regents’ Faculty Award for public service, is an advocate for justice among Maryland’s most vulnerable citizens. Her work has included partnering with the Office of the State’s Attorney for Baltimore City to develop a problem-solving court. Blom is also co-director of the law school’s Clinical Law Program, which provides free legal services in a wide range of areas.

Greif, the winner of a Regents’ Faculty Award for teaching, conducts instruction as well as research and practice in areas including child abduction, family therapy, parenting issues, and adult friendships. Named

the 2007 Educator of the Year by the Maryland chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, Greif is well known for his 10th and most recent book *Buddy System: Understanding Male Friendships*.

Ronald Hube contributed to this article.



Geoffrey Greif

PUBLIC SAFETY

Tips From the University Police Force

AVOIDING CAR BREAK-INS

Each year millions of dollars worth of personal property is lost due to car break-ins. The state of the economy coupled with nice weather makes the risk of an auto break-in especially high this fall.

Here are a few simple tips to help avoid becoming a victim:

- Park in University parking facilities, which are staffed by employees and patrolled by University police.
- Make your car less attractive to criminals. Remove valuables from the vehicle, or at least move them out of plain sight. This includes GPS devices, which are very popular targets for thieves, plus cell phones and money or spare change.
- Take time to ensure your car is locked before you leave it. Often property is stolen from vehicles simply because the doors were left open.
- Consider using a steering wheel locking device, such as the Club, to deter criminals from tampering with your car.

Practicing these simple tips can help you avoid being a victim of a car break-in.

Remember, safety begins with you!

Log on to CITS

Web Conferencing Beginning to Take Hold

WebEx, a medium to conduct online presentations for, and collaboration among, groups of people of almost any size, was introduced to the campus last year. Often referred to as “Web conferencing,” it can take the form of a meeting, a class or a large-group presentation. All of these modes allow real-time interaction among the participants, while offering a recording option for later on-demand viewing via the Web.

For example, a class that is presented via WebEx allows students to participate interactively whether they are in the classroom with the presenter or miles away. A remote student receives voice, video, and other learning materials on his or her computer, while having the concomitant ability to speak to the instructor and classmates, to share data from a personal computer, and to be seen by others

participating in the class. Similarly, researchers in many locations who are collaborating on a project can communicate interactively, show their results, troubleshoot problems, and write on a common whiteboard. Administrators can participate in meetings with counterparts at other campuses or sites without the expense of travel. All of these capabilities are accomplished using voice and video from the campus network connecting with persons in remote locations.

By using a computer’s speakers and microphone (or a headset, if preferred), the cost of participating in any of these sessions is negligible to the University and generally free to the participants. During a year that saw growth in off-campus learning centers, increased research collaboration, reduced travel budgets, historic snowfalls, and

extreme temperatures, this has proven to be an effective way to do the work of the University in a time- and cost-efficient way.

Each school and administrative unit at the University has purchased licenses that allow hosting of these Web-based gatherings. As a result, more than 100 sessions have been initiated every month, allowing students, faculty, and staff to avoid travel, save time, and increase interaction with colleagues. This new piece in the campus’ tool kit has proven to be both “green” and highly effective.

For more information on how to access and use Web conferencing to conduct classes, meetings or large group presentations, contact the campus IT help desk at help@umaryland.edu or 6-HELP.

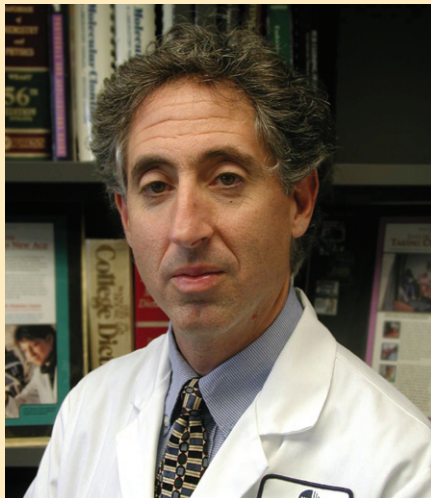
Become a Mentor!



www.oea.umaryland.edu/gov/community/outreach/mentoring.html

LAURELS

SCHOOL OF LAW
Dean **Phoebe A. Haddon, JD, LLM**, is the winner of the 2011 Great Teacher Award from the Society of American Law Teachers (SALT). Haddon will receive the honor, which recognizes teaching excellence that is combined with a passion for social justice, during SALT's annual dinner in San Francisco in January. Haddon's long academic career includes teaching courses on race and ethnicity. She also has written extensively on equal protection, academic freedom, and diversity, and has served on commissions examining race and gender bias in the Pennsylvania court system.



Alan Shuldiner

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
The National Institutes of Health has awarded **Alan Shuldiner, MD**, an \$11.4 million five-year grant to lead a multicenter study on the effectiveness of using anti-platelet drugs

to prevent blood clots in cardiac patients. Shuldiner is a professor of medicine and director of the Program in Genetics and Genomic Medicine.

SCHOOL OF NURSING
Jocelyn Farrar, DNP, ACNP-BC, CCRN, assistant professor, has been named a founding member of the Maryland-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team (MD-1 DMAT), which provides rapid-response medical care during an event that overwhelms the health care system. MD-1 DMAT is a member of the National Disaster Medical System in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.



Jane Kapustin

Jane Kapustin, PhD, MS, FAANP, CRNP, associate professor and assistant dean for the master's program, was recently recognized by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) for excellence in

diabetes care. NCQA, in partnership with the American Diabetes Association, developed the Diabetes Recognition Program to publicly identify clinicians who provide the highest level of diabetes care. Kapustin is a nurse practitioner at the University of Maryland Medical Center's Joslin Diabetes Center.

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY
Thomas Dowling, PharmD, PhD, associate professor, has been named a fellow of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy, and **Jeffrey Gonzales, PharmD**, assistant professor, has been named a fellow of the Society of Critical Care Medicine.

Stuart Haines, PharmD, professor and vice chair for clinical services, has received the Education Award from the American College of Clinical Pharmacy. The award recognizes outstanding contributions to clinical pharmacy education at the undergraduate or postgraduate level.

Raymond Love, PharmD, associate dean of curriculum, instructional design, and technology, has been named chair-elect of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy's ethics special interest group.

Gerald Rosen, PhD, JD, Emerson Professor, has been named Maryland Chemist of the Year by the Maryland section of the American Chemical Society. The award is considered the state group's most prestigious honor.

Register for

UMBA

Alerts

Emergency Notification System

E2Campus is now the vendor for UMB Alerts—the system used by the Emergency Management Team at the University to notify the campus community about emergencies and weather-related closings. UMB Alerts messages are sent via campus phones and campus e-mail accounts. Users also can register personal devices such as cell phones, BlackBerrys or pagers that are capable of receiving text messages. To sign up for UMB Alerts, visit www.umaryland.edu/alerts.

From Q&A on page 1

Regarding outreach efforts well beyond Baltimore, Perman said in reply to a student's question that global outreach "is very front and center" at the University. The University president said about 20 percent of external funding goes toward work on health issues and other concerns around the globe.

Along with questions from the audience, Perman answered questions submitted anonymously through a new University website used exclusively to pose questions to the president (www.umaryland.edu/president/feedback). Anonymous questions are also answered in Perman's monthly newsletter, which debuted Sept. 17.

Regarding the campus' identity, Perman said, "We are working very hard on a branding and marketing campaign to say who we

are and to try to tamp down the confusion" about the University of Maryland's similarly named Baltimore and Baltimore County campuses, and the University of Baltimore.

Perman also talked about the importance of regularly scheduled evaluation of staff performance, saying employees "need feedback" from their supervisors on how well they are doing their jobs.

"I feel very strongly that everyone deserves an annual evaluation," he said. "I will reinforce that."

The next Q&A session will be noon to 1 p.m. Oct. 18 in Pharmacy Hall Addition. Questions and answers from the sessions, including a summary of the questions asked most frequently, will soon begin appearing on the president's website, www.umaryland.edu/president.



Jay A. Perman answers one of the many questions during the first Q&A session with the president.

MCCC

Now More Than Ever

The University's theme for this year's **Maryland Charity Campaign (MCC)**, which seeks to raise \$432,777.98—one dollar more than last year's total—is Action Speaks Louder Than Words, Now More Than Ever.

Faculty and staff will receive information and pledge cards for the campaign, which helps fund hundreds of charitable organizations through payroll deductions or one-time gifts from state employees. Students can participate by contacting an MCC coordinator through their School's dean's office or by contacting campaign chair Dave DeLooze at 6-7569 or ddelooze@af.umaryland.edu.

The campaign runs from mid-October to late November. A breakfast to thank participants will take place in Westminster Hall on Dec. 7 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

For more information on the campaign, to find a charity or to obtain an additional pledge card, visit the MCC Web site, www.mdcharity.org.

The

VOICE

is online!

Check out the stories in this issue and more at www.umbvoice.com.

Donald Fedder Remembered for Public Health, Community Pharmacy Work



Donald Fedder

Donald Fedder, DrPH, MPH, a faculty member at the School of Pharmacy since the early 1970s and an alumnus of the School, died Aug. 28 at the age of 82.

“Don was a wonderful colleague and friend,” says Natalie D. Eddington, PhD, dean of the School of Pharmacy. “He was thoughtful, insightful, and always willing to share his views and advice. He has left an indelible mark on our School, and we will sorely miss him.”

Fedder obtained a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from the University of Maryland in 1950 and then operated a pharmacy in Dundalk for more than 20 years. The pharmacy was the first in the state to carry orthotics and home health medical equipment.

In the early 1970s, after selling the pharmacy, Fedder was recruited to return to the University of Maryland as a faculty

member. His research focused on the role of modifiable behaviors in reducing disease risk, increasing patient compliance with medication, and improving relationships between patients and health care providers.

In the mid-1980s, Fedder founded the ENABLE program at the School of Pharmacy, which for 20 years trained community health workers to help people in high-risk populations control chronic diseases. This innovative program earned Fedder campuswide recognition when he received the University’s Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Diversity Recognition Award in 2005.

“Don’s pioneering work fostering community outreach and advocating for health care for vulnerable populations through the ENABLE program was the pinnacle of a long and distinguished career in public health and community pharmacy,” says Eddington.

While in his 50s, Fedder earned master’s and doctoral degrees from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. Fedder retired last year from the School of Pharmacy as a professor emeritus during a ceremony that also celebrated his 82nd birthday. Family, friends, and colleagues praised him for having a positive impact on countless students, staff, faculty, and community health workers.

The School’s Department of Pharmaceutical Health Services Research has established the Donald O. Fedder Memorial Fellowship Fund to support training and development of graduate students, with preference given to students who focus on social justice, pharmacy advocacy, and public health. Gifts can be made by contacting Janice Batzold, MS, the School of Pharmacy’s director of special gifts and programs, at 6-1711 or jbatzold@rx.umaryland.edu.

McKechnie Named Director of Financial Services

Susan McKechnie became the campus’ director of financial services/controller in September.

McKechnie has been employed at the University since 2000, when she was hired as a payroll manager. Since then she has held the positions of accounting systems and reporting manager, and manager of financial systems.

In her new role, McKechnie manages financial and accounting operations including development of financial statements, internal and external reporting, accounts payable, travel reimbursement, general ledger reconciliation, and inventory, student, and payroll accounting. She also plays a major role in supporting and maintaining the campus automated financial accounting system.

Before working at the University of Maryland, McKechnie was the chief financial officer of several nonprofit organizations. She is a certified public accountant and has a degree in business administration from the State University of New York at Oswego.

“I feel honored to have the opportunity to continue to work with the dedicated staff within the Department of Financial Services and throughout the campus in this



Susan McKechnie

new capacity,” McKechnie says. “I appreciate the support that I have already received from my colleagues and look forward to building upon those relationships.”

We invite you to visit your child’s future.



TOURS WITH PRINCIPALS
October 1, November 5, December 3
8:45-10:30 a.m.
Parents only
Reservations required, 410-339-4130 or admission@parkschool.net

OPEN HOUSE
November 14
1:00-3:00 p.m., Lower School
Parents only
3:30-5:30 p.m., Middle and Upper Schools
Parents and students

Programs begin promptly at start times.

PARK *Learn to think*

2425 Old Court Road, Baltimore, MD 21208
410-339-4130 • www.parkschool.net

GREEN CORNER

Bike, Don’t Drive

Riding a bicycle to the University instead of driving has never been easier. The new bike cage on the first floor of the Pratt Street Garage offers secure spaces for 46 bicycles and is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Visit www.parking.umaryland.edu/Transportation/Bike/index.htm for more information or to apply for a space.

Bike racks are also available in most parking garages and outside of many buildings.

And did you know that bikes are allowed on MTA buses and the Light Rail?

For information on preventing bike theft, visit www.umaryland.edu/police/files/Bicycle-Safety-Tips.pdf.



Keith Ferguson Jr., third-year School of Law student, locks up his bike outside of the Health Sciences and Human Services Library before heading to class.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

AUGUST: Janis Schofield Wright

TIM FLACH

With a pad of paper and pen in hand, Janis Schofield Wright anxiously entered the office of T. Sue Gladhill, MSW, vice president for external affairs, who had told Wright that the University president was waiting to see her.

“I thought I was in trouble,” Wright says with a laugh. Instead, President Jay A. Perman, MD, was there to surprise her with the University’s Employee of the Month Award for August.

As the campus’ director of gift administration, Wright is responsible for processing all private donations to the University. Her job requires keen awareness of the various management and reporting standards, including Internal Revenue Service regulations and University of Maryland (UM) policies. It also requires collaboration with development staff in each School and unit on campus.

“Development officers and others recognize that Jan’s easy manner and good humor truly enhance the important work of the Office of Gift Administration,” wrote Gladhill in nominating Wright for the award. “Jan is successful because she



Jay A. Perman and Janis Schofield Wright

completely understands that UM development officers’ communications with current and prospective donors must be timely and accurate.”

Wright, who says she is grateful to her staff, fellow directors, and Office of External Affairs leadership for their support and guidance, was honored to receive the Employee of the Month Award and to meet the University’s newly installed president.

“You always hope you’re doing your job in a way others respect and appreciate, so it’s a real compliment when your colleagues take the time to acknowledge that,” she says of the award.

Study Finds That Simple Two-Question Survey Can Better Identify Hungry Children

KAREN BUCKLEW

Asking parents just two simple screening questions could help health care providers and social workers easily and quickly identify families with young children suffering from hunger, enabling early interventions that could prevent serious health consequences, according to a new study led by School of Medicine researchers.

The study, published in the July issue of the journal *Pediatrics*, analyzed data gathered from more than 30,000 families nationwide, about a quarter of which experienced hunger. The researchers examined whether the time-consuming, 18-question Household Food Security Survey provided by the federal government could be shortened and remain effective in identifying hungry families. They found that just the first two statements, with which families were asked to agree or disagree, are key: “Within the past 12 months we worried whether our food would run out before we got money to buy more”; and “Within the past 12 months the food we bought just didn’t last and we didn’t have money to get more.”

The researchers found that 92.5 percent of the hungry families answered “yes” to the first question, and 81.9 percent of the families answered yes to the second, meaning that positive answers to those questions alone could accurately identify most families affected by hunger.

Such an efficient screening test “can immediately be used by any social service agency or any clinic to more quickly get

hungry children connected with the assistance they need to stay nourished, healthy, and developmentally on track,” says lead author Erin Hager, PhD, assistant professor of pediatrics at the School of Medicine.

Hunger can be invisible in American children because they do not physically appear skinny or emaciated, according to senior author Maureen Black, PhD, the John A. Scholl, MD, and Mary Louise Scholl, MD, Professor of Pediatrics at the School. “Unlike hungry children in Third World countries who may go without food, American parents have access to cheap, nutrient-deprived foods they can use to fill their children’s bellies and maintain their weight. However, without critical nutrients such as iron, babies and toddlers can suffer from serious health consequences.”

Children younger than age 3 who live in food-insecure households are 90 percent more likely to be in fair or poor health—rather than good or excellent health—than children in food-secure homes. Hungry babies and toddlers are 31 percent more likely to have been hospitalized since birth and 76 percent more likely to be at increased developmental risk than children in food-secure homes.

The researchers hope social workers, health care professionals, and others who have contact with needy families will begin using the two-question quiz right away. A website created by the Baltimore City Health Department—www.hungryinbaltimore.org—identifies nutritional resources.

palm

UMB students,
it’s the best four years of your life.
Make sure you never miss a thing.

Palm® Pre™ Plus and Palm Pixi™ Plus connect more of your life, which makes them the perfect phones for college. With your favorite apps, social networks, videos, games, and automatically updated contacts and calendars, you can make the most of every minute.

Save 15% off basic monthly service charges with a qualified plan.

Bring your student ID to an AT&T Store today and mention code 2404864 or go to att.com/wireless/umdstudents

Save even more with new lowered-price data plans and stay connected via text, email, and the Web! Ask an AT&T representative for more details*

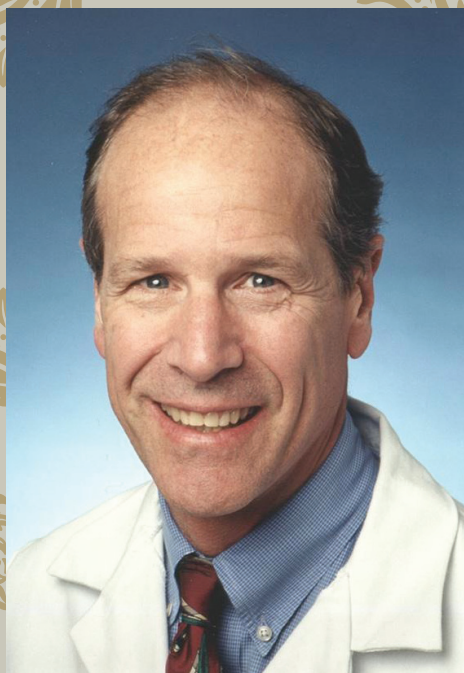
*Actual service discount applies only to the Monthly Service Charge of eligible plans and varies monthly depending on your employer's aggregate volume of qualified charges. See your AT&T representative for complete details. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Limited-time offer. May require a 2 year agreement on a qualified plan. Other conditions and restrictions apply. See contract and rate plan brochure for details. Subscriber must live and have a mailing address within AT&T's owned wireless network coverage area. Equipment price and availability may vary by market and may not be available from independent retailers. Purchase of additional equipment, services or features may be required. Not all features available on all devices or in all areas. Early Termination Fee: None if cancelled in the first 30 days, but up to \$30 thereafter. Some agents impose additional fees. Unlimited voice services: Unlimited voice services are provided solely for live dialog between two individuals. No additional discounts are available with unlimited plan. Off-net Usage: If your voice or messaging service usage (including unlimited services) during any month on other carrier networks ("off-net usage") exceeds your off-net usage allowance, AT&T may, at its option, terminate your service, deny your continued use of other carriers' coverage, or change your plan to one imposing usage charges for off-net usage. Your off-net usage allowance is equal to the lesser of 750 minutes or 40% of the Anytime Minutes, the lesser of 24 MB or 20% of the MB included with your plan, or the lesser of 3000 messages or 50% of the messages included with your plan. AT&T will provide notice that it intends to take any of the above actions, and you may terminate the agreement. Monthly discount: Available to qualified employees of companies and/or government agencies and qualified students and employees of colleges/universities with a qualified business agreement ("Business Agreement"). Service discount subject to corresponding Business Agreement and may be interrupted and/or discontinued without notice to you. Service discount applies only to the monthly service charge of qualified plans and not to any other charges. A minimum number of employees, minimum monthly service charge for qualified plans, additional AT&T services or other requirements may apply for discount eligibility. Discounts may not be combined. Offer subject to change. Additional conditions and restrictions apply. If you have a question about available discounts and/or your eligibility, you can contact your company's telecommunications manager. © 2010 AT&T Intellectual Property. All rights reserved. AT&T and the AT&T logo are trademarks of AT&T Intellectual Property. Within wireless coverage area only. Email, mobile number, and related information required for setup and activation. Third-party software available separately. Requires data services at additional cost. For complete terms and conditions, see Data Rate Plan brochure. © 2010 Palm, Inc., a subsidiary of Hewlett-Packard Company. Palm, Pixi, Pre, and Touchstone are trademarks of Palm, Inc.

For a store near you visit:

att.com/storelocator/



Founders Week Award Winners 2010



RESEARCH LECTURER OF THE YEAR

Bartley Griffith, MD

A woman struggles to take a breath with lungs that are failing. A man is bedridden with a heart that is malfunctioning. These patients are among the critically ill whom Bartley Griffith interacts with every workday. And thanks to Griffith and the creative innovation he spearheads as the chief of cardiac surgery at the School of Medicine, they have hope.

His recent work—a collaborative effort on an artificial lung—may be responsible for the first human use of an ambulatory, portable, at-home device for artificial respiration. His work on a pediatric heart-lung machine and on a pediatric ventricular assist device has significant implications for children. Other current research involves heart repair using stem cells.

Such science has brought in more than \$25 million in research funding, with his lab partner and associate professor Zhongjun Wu, PhD, during Griffith's decade of service at the University of Maryland. Still Griffith says he was surprised when University President Jay. A. Perman, MD, called with news of the Research Lecturer of the Year Award.

"Honestly, I was deeply honored and humbled because I am aware of so many others who might have been outstanding choices," Griffith says. "I also am completely indebted to the faculty, nurses, trainees, and staff for their support every day."

In addition to writing nearly 500 peer-reviewed published papers and performing more than 1,200 heart transplants and 600 lung transplants, Griffith says he delights in mentoring "truly motivated" first-year medical students.

Case volumes for cardiac surgery have increased nearly threefold under Griffith's visionary leadership, says Bruce Jarrell, MD, FACS, professor and the School of Medicine's executive vice dean. Richard Pierson, MD, professor at the School and director of the surgical care clinical center at the Baltimore Veterans Affairs Medical Center, praises Griffith's research.

"Dr. Griffith's research program is a cornerstone of the School of Medicine's surgical research portfolio just as his clinical research program serves as the principal platform for the University of Maryland Medical Center's growth in the area of advanced treatment for cardiovascular disease," Pierson says.



PUBLIC SERVANT OF THE YEAR

Yvette Rooks, MD

Yvette Rooks is too humble to see herself as a role model. But with all of her volunteer work outside of the School of Medicine, surely others place her upon that pedestal.

"She gives countless volunteer hours educating both old and young Baltimore citizens about the importance of nutrition and exercise at her Ask a Doc displays and seminars," says David Stewart, MD, MPH, associate professor and chair of the medical school's Department of Family and Community Medicine.

As vice chair of the department and director of its residency program, Rooks travels to schools, community centers, and health fairs, helping alleviate fears some have about seeing a physician.

"Everyone should have access to a primary care physician," says Rooks. "We open our doors to the community every day, but it also takes us as physicians to go into the communities to appreciate how our patients live, what their concerns are, and build a relationship with them."

Rooks also devotes time to help the School of Medicine's Mini-Med School, the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine, and the Morgan State University summer camp. She is the immediate past-president of the Maryland Academy of Family Physicians and the head primary care team physician at the University of Maryland's College Park campus.

The Terps aren't the only athletes she treats.

"I was asked if I would perform some sports physicals for a group of kids at Booker T. Washington Middle School who are in a program called Squash Wise," Rooks recalls. "The program has a mentoring component, but they also learn to play squash."

It might come as no surprise that Rooks, who still serves as a mentor for the squash group, is involved in sports—her late father, George Rooks, was drafted by the Green Bay Packers in 1951. Now it is her own interest in public service that is being passed on to a new generation.

"I have a fabulous 13-year-old daughter who travels with me a lot with the Terps and with my community activities," says Rooks, smiling. "She grew up doing all of this."



ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR

Cedric Yu, DSC

When Cedric Yu participated in interstitial brachytherapy procedures in the 1990s, during which large needles were used to introduce radiation seeds into the breast to treat early-stage cancer, he envisioned delivering a better dose pattern with external radiation—and without the invasiveness.

"However, the field was not ready for such a radical idea at the time," recalls Yu, clinical professor, who joined the School of Medicine faculty in 1997. "Over the years, I have seen the trend gradually shifting to shorter and less invasive treatments."

Today, with the help of the School of Medicine; William Regine, MD, chair of the School's Department of Radiation Oncology; the University's Office of Research and Development (ORD); and funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Yu's dream is becoming a reality.

The patent application for his technique, called the GammaPod System, was filed in 2006, and the first prototype system was installed at the University of Maryland Medical Center in May of this year. Approval from the Food and Drug Administration is being sought.

"The key feature that makes GammaPod different from all existing radiation delivery methods is that it focuses the radiation to regions most likely to harbor these tumor cells and therefore causes the least collateral damage to other normal structures such as the heart and lung," says Yu, who holds the Carl M. Mansfield, MD, Endowed Professorship in Radiation Oncology.

Holder of more than 10 patents, most of which are licensed or already commercialized, Yu was at first unsuccessful in obtaining support for his GammaPod invention. But with the help of ORD, he founded Xcision Medical Systems, LLC, in 2006 to pursue development himself. He later gained \$3.5 million in NIH Small Business Innovation Research grants.

Along with developing medical innovations, Yu has written more than 80 peer-reviewed scientific articles. He is highly praised by Regine.

"Dr. Yu is a premier medical physicist, researcher, and entrepreneur who clearly deserves the recognition associated with the Entrepreneur of the Year Award," Regine says.



TEACHER OF THE YEAR

David Roffman, PHARM D '73

Praise for David Roffman, School of Pharmacy professor, is wide-ranging, much like the scope of his work.

"On a campus replete with talented educators, I can think of no one on a par with him," says Natalie D. Eddington, PhD, dean of the School of Pharmacy.

Gary Plotnick, MD, a colleague at the School of Medicine, says, "No one is more respected as an educator of cardiovascular pharmacy and cardiotherapeutics."

And Thomasine Guberski, PhD, RN, CRNP, an associate professor at the School of Nursing, says, "Dr. Roffman has taught experienced teachers to teach better."

A School of Pharmacy alumnus and the first clinical pharmacist trained in Maryland (1970-73), Roffman has taught for 37 years at the School of Pharmacy, more than 20 in the School of Medicine cardiology module, and for 10 years at the School of Nursing. In each school, Roffman has challenged students, answering their questions with questions. He says he likes to see students "out-think" him.

"I am not sure that I possess teaching skills that make me unique," says Roffman. "I do, however, take pride in my ability to help students and residents grasp complex concepts by using the Socratic questioning method to allow them to retrieve and reflect on their own fundamental knowledge."

Widely published, Roffman was instrumental in facilitating the School of Pharmacy's transition to an all-PharmD program. He also served as the School's associate dean for academic affairs from 2006 to 2009.

A family history of cardiovascular disease led Roffman to become the first clinical pharmacist in the state with a specialty practice in cardiology.

"I asked my department chair if I might spend a couple of months in the CCU, to see if there might be a potential role for a pharmacist in that setting," says Roffman, who has a BCPS degree in cardiology. "More than 30 years later, I continue to consider cardiovascular therapeutics an exciting and academically challenging field."

CAMPUS EVENTS CORNER

Inauguration and Founders Week Events
Mark your calendars for the inauguration of University President Jay A. Perman, MD, and Founders Week 2010 events—Nov. 9 through Nov. 12. See page 1 for more information.

Discount Hippodrome Tickets!
The Office of University Events has again partnered with the Hippodrome Theatre to offer discounted group tickets to the University community. Order tickets online—no waiting in line or on the phone, just print tickets at your desk!

All tickets are on sale now but are available for a limited time only. Send an e-mail to events@umaryland.edu for the special University ticket link and offer code.

- 2010-2011 HIPPODROME SHOWS**
- *Blue Man Group*: Nov. 2-7
 - *Rock of Ages*: Nov. 30-Dec. 5
 - *Nutcracker*: Dec. 11-12
 - *Jersey Boys*: Feb. 2-27
 - *Les Misérables*: March 1-6
 - *Shrek—The Musical*:
March 22-April 3
 - *West Side Story*: April 12-24



Calling All Crafters
Get ready for the campuswide holiday craft fair on Dec. 10 at the Southern Management Corporation Campus Center. Creative people with *handmade and homemade* crafts are being sought as vendors. To download an application, visit www.oea.umaryland.edu/events. Space is limited.



Disney On Ice Presents Toy Story 3
Toy Story 3 will be at the 1st Mariner Arena Oct. 27 through Oct. 31. Discounted group tickets are available by calling 866-248-8740, ext. 102, or by e-mail: JLloyd@FeldGroupSales.com. Mention the University of Maryland when placing your order.



Exhibit Examines Science Through Fiction

RONALD HUBE

Frankenstein’s monster can usually be seen roaming around on Halloween, and he will show up again on campus in November—in photos and artifacts—when the traveling exhibit *Frankenstein: Penetrating the Secrets of Nature* comes to the Health Sciences and Human Services Library (HS/HSL).

Developed by the National Institutes of Health’s National Library of Medicine, in collaboration with the American Library Association, the exhibit explores how 1800s author Mary Shelley’s creature— assembled in a laboratory from body parts of the dead—provides a framework today for examining the acceptable limits of scientific exploration regarding human life and death. The exhibit also looks at how the Frankenstein story has endured for nearly 200 years as a fixture in popular culture.

“We are very excited about this exhibit,” says M.J. Tooe, MLS, AHIP, executive director of the HS/HSL. “It’s a creative and fun way for us to explore topics such as transplantation or social alienation that are so relevant to the work we do here at the University.”

Several talks and perhaps film screenings are being planned during the exhibit’s run at the HS/HSL, which starts Nov. 22 and ends Jan. 2. For more information, visit the library’s website, www.hshsl.umaryland.edu, or the exhibit’s website, www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/frankenstein/index.html.



Poster for *The Bride of Frankenstein*, 1935

Wellness Hub Events Include Food Film Festival

The Wellness Hub is in full swing! October is filled with events for financial education, adventure pursuits, and programs on sustainability. The Wellness Hub also launches its Food Film Festival this month with a new movie every Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Southern Management Corporation Campus Center (SMC).

The University’s Wellness and Academic-Life Balance Program is located at the Wellness Hub on the third floor of the SMC Campus Center. The Wellness Hub also offers services such as coaching, wellness assessment, and relaxation instruction. Interdisciplinary programs focus on contemporary and pertinent issues and are presented by experts.

To learn more about the Wellness Hub or to register for the following events, visit www.wellness.umaryland.edu. Follow the Wellness Hub on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/WellnessHub> and Facebook at UMB Wellness Hub.

upcoming WELLNESS EVENTS

- Sailing Baltimore’s Inner Harbor—Oct. 9; *Cost to Students: \$40*

- Food Film Festival: The Future of Food—Oct. 14, SMC Campus Center, Room 351

- Introduction to Rock Climbing—Oct. 16; *Cost to Students: \$10*

- Day Hike in Shenandoah Park—Oct. 17; *Cost to Students: \$40*

- What the New Credit Card Laws Mean for You—Oct. 20, SMC Campus Center, Room 210B



- The Schooner *Sultana*—Oct. 23; *Cost to Students: \$40*

- Food Film Festival: Fresh—Oct. 21, SMC Campus Center, Room 349

- Urban Farming in Baltimore—Oct. 26, noon, SMC Campus Center, Room 349

- Stress Management Primer—Oct. 27, noon, SMC Campus Center, Room 351

- Food Film Festival: End of the Line—Oct. 28, SMC Campus Center, Room 349

- Introduction to Qigong: The Wonder and Mystery of Chinese Medicine—Oct. 28, noon, SMC Campus Center, Ballroom B



- Mindfulness Stress Management—
Oct. 4, 5:30 p.m., SMC Campus Center, Room 349
Oct. 11, 5:30 p.m., SMC Campus Center, Room 349
Oct. 18, 5:30 p.m., SMC Campus Center, Room 349
Oct. 25, 5:30 p.m., SMC Campus Center, Room 349
Oct. 30, 9 a.m., SMC Campus Center, Room 349 and Room 351



CAMPUS BRIEFS

Guidelines Cover Campaigning on Campus

University System of Maryland (USM) guidelines on political campaign events, appearances, and leafleting are designed to assure the political neutrality of academic institutions—including the University of Maryland’s Baltimore campus—while preserving the right of candidates and supporters to express their views. Some of the guidelines that apply during the current campaign season are:

- Employees can freely express their views about political candidates and issues but may not use University resources such as telephones, computers or fax machines to do so. Employees should not engage in partisan political activities during work time.
- Political events can be held on campus but may not be subsidized or supported by the University in any manner. Introduction on campus of candidates for public office must be accompanied by an explicit statement of the University’s neutrality regarding elections.
- Politicians and their supporters, including those who have a connection to the University, have a First Amendment right to distribute campaign materials in open areas of the campus. The University may place reasonable restrictions on such activities in order to maintain safety and to avoid disruption of essential University operations such as classroom instruction.

For more information, call the University’s Office of Government and Community Affairs at 410-269-5087.

Law School Creates International Clinic

To further its goal of advancing justice around the world, the School of Law has established the International and Comparative Law Clinic, one of the first clinics of its kind at a U.S. law school.

The clinic made it possible for students to spend eight weeks this year in other countries, working on emerging legal issues. In Mexico, four students worked with a transnational workers’ rights law center that focuses on the working conditions of migrant workers in the U.S. Three students worked in China on microcredit programs, which allow the poorest in society to borrow money. In Namibia, where there are less than 500 lawyers for a population of more than 2 million people, six students tackled a variety of projects including

claims for access to drinking water. “You could have the most progressive constitution in the world, and Namibia has one of them, but when you go into the countryside people don’t know their rights,” says School of Law student Emily Siedell.

The clinic builds on the law school’s groundbreaking LEAD Initiative, which helps students develop cross-cultural competence.

“This new clinic will expand law-related skills of citizens globally as well as provide unique opportunities for our students and faculty to collaborate and interact with lawyers from an international perspective,” says Phoebe A. Haddon, JD, LLM, dean of the School of Law.

Dean, Others Help Beautify an Elementary School

Richard P. Barth, PhD, MSW, dean of the School of Social Work, painted and helped assemble furniture as part of a group of volunteers who spruced up a West Baltimore elementary school before classes started this school year.

Furman L. Templeton Elementary School is the hub of Promise Heights, a community outreach program run by the School of Social Work and partner organizations. Wells Fargo planned the improvement project and provided most of the volunteers—about 75 in all—who performed work inside and outside the school building. Among others helping were the United Way of Central Maryland, the Upton Planning Council, and Baltimore City Public Schools.

Kenneth Cherry, principal of the elementary school, says the school’s improved appearance will lead to better academic performance by the students.

Circuit Court Quotes Professor in Landmark Ruling

An article by Renée Hutchins, JD, associate professor at the School of Law, played a crucial role in a recent U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling regarding police surveillance of suspects.

The court endorsed Hutchins’ scholarly analysis in ruling that police violated a suspect’s Fourth Amendment rights by placing a GPS unit in his car without a search warrant. The decision cited the central point of Hutchins’ article: that the U.S. Supreme Court made clear in a ruling of its own on a similar case that its decision “should not be read to sanction 24-hour surveillance of any citizen of this country.”

“This is scholarship that makes a difference, and another example of the influence

of our faculty in helping shape and improve law,” says Mark Graber, JD, PhD, MA, professor and associate dean for research and faculty development at the School of Law.

Staff Senate Programs Fight Hunger, Help Troops

The University Staff Senate is helping to collect food for the hungry and cell phones for troops overseas to call home.

Donations of food or money can be made to the Maryland Food Bank, which distributes food to soup kitchens, food pantries, and shelters, through an online “virtual food drive” sponsored by the Staff Senate. The website address for the food drive, which began in September and runs through November, is www.mdfoodbank.org/lumb.

The Staff Senate also is working with the organization Cell Phones for Soldiers to conduct a campuswide collection of used cell phones, which can be dropped in red, white, and blue boxes across the University. For box locations, contact Jean Marie Roth at the School of Medicine at vroth@som.umaryland.edu or 6-8679.

Kids’ Halloween Event Planned at BioPark

Tenants of the University of Maryland BioPark will host a Halloween party Oct. 29 for students from nearby James McHenry Elementary School.

The event includes a walk-through “haunted house” and treats for the children, who will vote on which tenant makes the best Halloween presentation. This is the third year that the BioPark has held the event.

President Works to Create Strategic Plan for University

University President Jay A. Perman, MD, has put the wheels in motion to create a campuswide strategic plan. The plan is intended to make the campus “greater than the sum of its parts,” Perman says, while advancing the University’s mission and ensuring financial viability and accountability to its constituencies.

The Office of the President is working with the Center for Information Technology Services and the Office of External Affairs to establish mechanisms for soliciting input for the project and to communicate the plan’s status as it evolves. “The plan’s creation must have broad participation by faculty, staff, and students,” says Peter Gilbert, the University’s vice president for planning and accountability. “It must engage the University’s partners and communities, and provide opportunities for review and feedback as the plan progresses.”

“We need to create the strategic plan together,” Perman says. “The process will be highly participatory.”

The Office of the President expects to begin the formal process of creating a strategic plan in October and hopes to complete the project before the end of the current fiscal year. A planning committee will be developed to lead the effort, with members representing the entire campus community.



localcolorflowers

Fresh, Locally Grown Flowers and Potted Plants
Now Available in the SMC Campus Center

Small Bouquet: \$7.99
Medium Bouquet: \$10.99
Large Bouquet: \$15.99

BON APPÉTIT
MANAGEMENT COMPANY

1st floor To Go: 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday
2nd floor Café: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday



Calling all Crafters

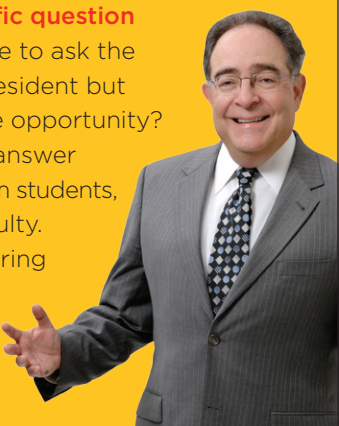
We are on the hunt for the creative, the clever, and the crafty! Showcase your unique creations (and make some extra holiday dough) at the Handmade and Homemade Holiday Craft Fair on Dec. 10!

Table reservations are due by Oct. 29. To download an application, visit www.oea.umaryland.edu/events.

Q & A

with Dr. Perman

Have a **specific question** you would like to ask the University president but never had the opportunity? **Join me** as I answer questions from students, staff, and faculty. Feel free to bring your lunch!



October session

Monday, Oct. 18 | Noon to 1 p.m. | School of Pharmacy Lecture Hall N203

To submit an **anonymous** question anytime, visit my website at www.umaryland.edu/president/feedback.

CALENDAR

Oct. 17
School of Pharmacy All Alumni Reunion and Brunch. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Pharmacy Hall atrium.

Oct. 19
“Individualized Molecular Testing for Personalized Medicine,” the Sixth Annual Symposium on Translational Research in Molecular Pathology, delivered by Leroy Hood, MD, PhD, president of the Institute for Systems Biology. Organized by the Division of Molecular Pathology in the School of Medicine’s Department of Pathology. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Davidge Hall, free but registration is encouraged by visiting <http://medschool.umaryland.edu/molecularepath/symposium.asp>. For more information, contact Melinda Tillman at 6-6300 or mtillman@som.umaryland.edu.

Oct. 19
Daniel Thursz Social Justice Lecture, delivered by Donna Shalala, PhD. See article on right.

Oct. 22-23
Equal Justice Works Career Fair and Conference. Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center. For more information, visit www.equaljusticeworks.org or contact Nada El-Eryan at neleryan@equaljusticeworks.org.

Oct. 26
National Pro Bono Celebration and Alumni-Student Mentor Reception, honoring volunteers from the Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service, student fellows from the Maryland Public Interest Law Project, and supporters of pro bono programs. 6 to 8 p.m., Westminster Hall. For more information, contact Teresa Schmiedeler, JD, at tschmiedeler@law.umaryland.edu or 6-2080.

Nov. 9-12
Inauguration of University President Jay A. Perman, MD, and Founders Week events. See page 1.

Nov. 12
Free admission to the Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry begins for University employees and students, in celebration of Founders Week. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Wednesday to Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m. Sundays. For more information on the museum, visit www.dentalmuseum.org.

Nov. 18
Environmental Excellence in Health Care: A Showcase of Best Practices. This learning and networking event showcases hospitals’ environmental best practices. Presented by the School of Nursing and Maryland Hospitals for a Healthy Environment. 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., School of Nursing, \$55. For more information, visit <http://nursing.umaryland.edu/events/environmental/november/index.htm>.

Nov. 22-Jan. 2
Frankenstein: Penetrating the Secrets of Nature, an exhibit at the Health Sciences and Human Services Library’s Weise Gallery. See article on page 8.



COURTESY RONALD V. BORST/HOLLYWOOD MOVIE POSTERS AND UNIVERSAL STUDIOS LICENSING, INC.

Dec. 8
Virginia Lee Franklin Lecture, delivered by Jay A. Perman, MD, University president. 4 p.m., School of Nursing. Admission is free but registration is required. For more information, send an e-mail to pe@son.umaryland.edu.

Donna Shalala to Speak at School of Social Work

PATRICIA FANNING

Donna Shalala, PhD, an accomplished educator and former Cabinet member under President Bill Clinton, will deliver the Daniel Thursz Social Justice Lecture on Oct. 19 at the School of Social Work. The lecture is titled “The Unfinished Business of Health Care Reform.”

Shalala is president of the University of Miami and a professor of political science. Her academic career also includes posts as chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Madison and president of the Hunter College of the City University of New York.

Shalala, a recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom, was secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services from 1993 to 2001, the period in which the Clinton administration proposed health care reform. Congress passed the Affordable Care Act early this year, which was signed into law by President Barack Obama.

She also served in the administration of President Jimmy Carter and was among the country’s first Peace Corps volunteers. Shalala currently holds director posts at several corporations including Mednax National Medical Group.

“Dr. Shalala has played leadership roles at several major universities and in the public policy arena,” says Michael Reisch, PhD, MSW, MA, the Daniel Thursz Distinguished



Donna Shalala

Professor of Social Justice at the University of Maryland. “She brings a unique perspective to the complex issues involved in health care and health care reform.”

The Daniel Thursz Social Justice Lecture series is named in honor of a former dean of the School of Social Work. Shalala’s presentation will be held in the School’s auditorium at 5 p.m., followed by a reception. Networking will take place before the lecture at 4:30 p.m. The event is free but registration is required. For more information and to register, visit www.ssw.umaryland.edu/thursz.

Ronald Hube contributed to this article.

CLASSIFIEDS

Spa Certificate Available

Towson spa eyebrow waxing certificate available for best offer. 410-337-9877 (call after 8 p.m.), i1__@hotmail.com.

Tutor Wanted

Returning graduate nursing student seeks master’s prepared nursing tutor/editor, APA knowledge, competitive rates, 410-807-0845.

Law School Alumna Offers Tutoring

Doctorate, test-preparer, global speaker, arts/scholarships winner, and judge. Can tutor on all subjects and for all levels from remedial to gifted/talented. Also college counseling, speech/essay writing/editing/proofreading, database design/programming. 410-337-9877, i1__@hotmail.com.

AROUND CAMPUS



ED FISHEL



ED FISHEL



ED FISHEL

- 1. Perman on MPT** Jay A. Perman, MD, University president (left), answers questions from host Jeff Salkin on a recent broadcast of the Maryland Public Television show *State Circle*. Topics included Perman’s question-and-answer sessions for the campus community, which began in September (see page 1), and his desire to bring the University’s schools closer together. Perman has received extensive media coverage since he took office as president July 1. To see the *State Circle* interview, visit www.umaryland.edu, then go to News & Research and September 2010.
- 2. Annual Fall Fest** Sidewalk chalk drawings helped attract hundreds of students to this year’s Fall Fest, held Sept. 17 outside of the Southern Management Corporation Campus Center and the School of Nursing. The yearly event included music, free food, games, and information about University services and student groups.
- 3. White Coat Ceremony** The Dental School’s White Coat Ceremony, held Sept. 13, was among recent welcome events for incoming students at the University. Jay A. Perman, MD, University president, was the keynote speaker for the annual celebration, which attracted 163 new dental students.

For more photos of University happenings, visit www.umbvoice.com.

Volume 31, No. 2

The *VOICE* is published by the Office of Communications and Marketing in the Office of External Affairs.

Office of External Affairs
University of Maryland
410-706-7820
Fax 410-706-6330

T. Sue Gladhill, MSW
Vice President for External Affairs

Mark B. Thompson, MHSA
Assistant Vice President,
Communications and Marketing

Laura Kozak, MA
Director of Marketing and Graphic Services

Chris Zang
Managing Editor

Clare Banks, MFA, *VOICE* Editor
cbankoo2@umaryland.edu

Ronald Hube, *VOICE* Associate Editor
rhube002@umaryland.edu

Emily Eaves, MA, Graphic Designer

Submissions are preferred via e-mail: cbankoo2@umaryland.edu. All copy is subject to editing.

Any commercial advertisements appearing in the *VOICE* by firms unaffiliated with the University do not represent endorsement.

The *VOICE* is delivered through campus mail and to drop boxes across campus. Call 410-706-7820 to request additional copies.